

## DERMATOPATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES

### RUSH CASES:

**For all RUSH cases, the dermpath fellows AND the skin service resident should be notified via email about the case.**

**Specimen Type:** SKIN SHAVE BIOPSY

### **Gross Template:**

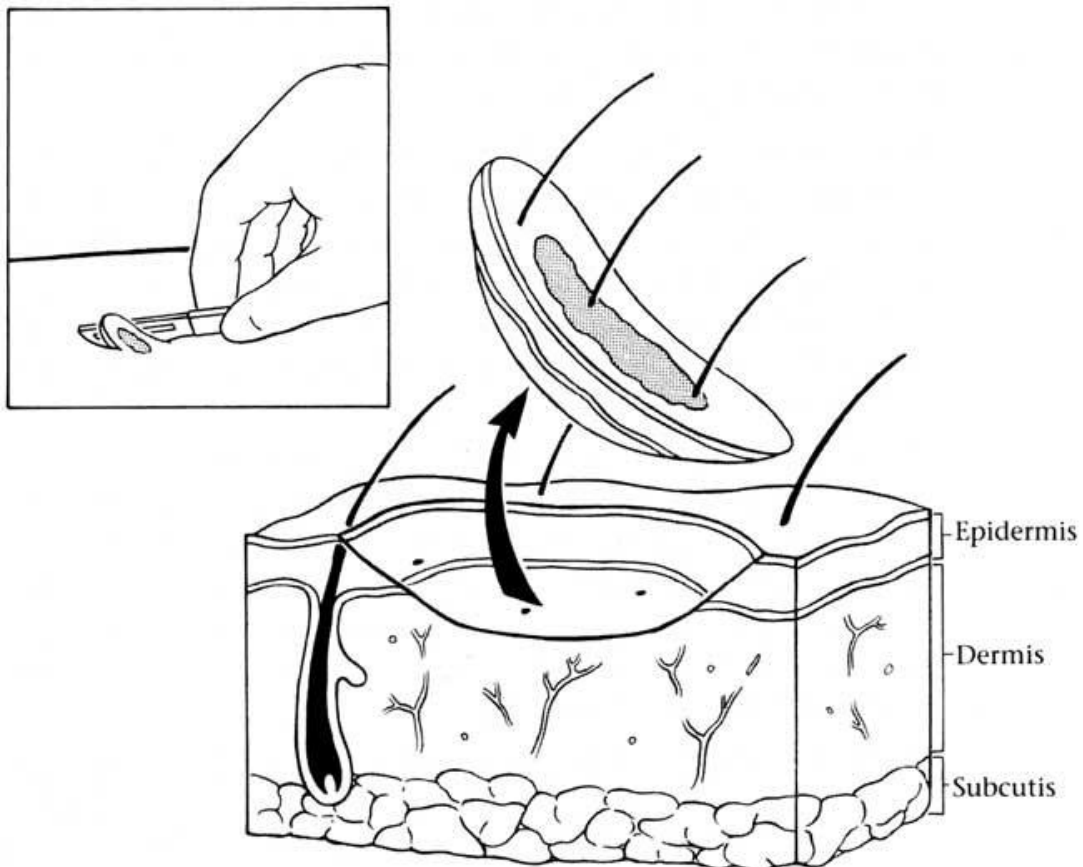
Labeled with the patient's name (\*\*), medical record number (\*\*), designated "\*\*\*\*", and received [fresh/in formalin] is a \*\*\* x \*\*\* x \*\*\* cm skin shave biopsy measuring.

[Describe any lesions – including size, type, borders, color, shape, distance to closest margin]. The specimen is entirely submitted in [describe cassette submission].

**Note:** There is often no need to ink the deep surface of skin as shaves are not removed for margin assessment. If you do ink the skin shave, choose **green ink**. Try to avoid black ink as this makes diagnosing melanoma difficult.

**Cassette Submission:** All tissue submitted

- Shave biopsies 3 mm or less are submitted in their entirety
- Shave biopsies  $\geq 4$  mm are bisected/trisected (depending on size)



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